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Donna Shalala, Secretary U.S. Department of Health and Human Services 200 Independence Ave., S.W. Washington, D.C. 20201

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Dear Secretary Shalala,

I would like to urge you in the strongest possible terms to strengthen, rather than weaken, my right to know if the food I am buying has been irradiated.

I strongly object to all aspects of this technology, and want to exercise my right to make those objections real by having clear and accurate labels on all food that has been treated in this fashion.

I believe it is scandalous that some are trying to argue that consumers have no business knowing about these processes when they are applied to food!

Thank you for your attention.

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Sincerely,

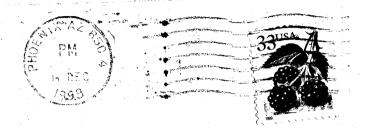
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